

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101-3140

OFFICE OF WATER AND WATERSHEDS

Ms. Cara Kadoshima Vallier Tupper Mack Wells 2025 First Avenue, Suite 1100 Seattle, WA 98121

Re: Response to Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-R10-2014-000884

Dear Ms. Vallier:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request letter received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on November 4, 2013, regarding comments received on the NPDES draft permit for the Cities of Coeur D' Alene, Post Falls and Hayden Area Regional Sewer Board; also communications between the EPA, Spokane Tribe Washington Department of Ecology regarding the permit.

The EPA Office of Water and Watersheds provided the final responsive records on FOIAonline December 30, 2013. In an interim response on December 4, 2013, we provided you a CD-ROM containing comments received on the draft permits. There was no charge for producing your FOIA request.

This is not an adverse determination. However, under FOIA you have the right to appeal if you believe the following:

- Records denied in whole or in part;
- No responsive records have been located;
- Denied request for fee waiver in whole or in part;
- Denied request for expedited treatment;
- Request fee category assignment
- Agency has fully responded but because of the voluminous nature of the request, the requester may challenge the reasonableness of the search for records

You may submit an appeal through your FOIAonline if you create an account. If you prefer to submit your appeal by postal service, send it to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), FAX: (202) 566-2147, E-mail: hq.foia@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit.

The appeal letter should include the FOIA number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

This concludes the EPA Region 10 response to FOIA request number EPA-R10-2014-000884.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Lidgard, Manager NPDES Unit